

PAT SHEAHAN NAMED HEAD FOOTBALL COACH

MONTREAL/ December 16, 1988. * Pat Sheahan has been appointed Head Football Coach of the Concordia University Stingers. Sheahan's appointment was recommended by a Search Advisory Committee, chaired by Athletic Director Bob Philip and takes effect immediately.

A former Captain of the Stinger's Football Team, the Kirkland resident is a graduate of the Concordia Exercise Science program. Sheahan is the third coach in the history of the Concordia Football team. He takes over for Skip Rochette, who was at the helm of the Stingers for 11 seasons. Doug Daigneault, who coaches the Stinger (Basketball) Team, was the first coach of the football team.

The 32 year-old native of Brockville, Ontario, spent five years as Associate Head Coach and Offensive Coordinator of the McGill Redmen. Sheahan was also employed full-time in the McGill Athletic Department as the Summer Program's Director. He was the driving force behind McGill's 1987 National Football Championship and is one of the premier recruiter's in Canadian College Football.

Sheahan was a versatile player for the Stinger's football team (1975-79), lining up at quarterback, tight-end and both offensive and defensive tackle. He began his coaching career in 1982 with the Montreal Junior Concordes having attended two Edmonton Eskimo training camps.

The Stingers will have a strong nucleus of players for 1989. The return of five Conference All-Stars and two All-Canadians should give Sheahan the foundation he needs to put Concordia back on top.